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## Amendments to the Title of the Invention

Please change the Title of the Invention to --METHOD FOR CONTROLLING

CCD CAMERA DAYTIME/NIGHTTIME CONTROL --.

## Amendments to the Abstract of the Disclosure

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the rewritten Abstract of the Disclosure attached hereto on a separate sheet.

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## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A controlling method for a CCD camera in which a photographing area is divided into a number of cell regions, the illumination of each cell regions is detected, and the photographing mode of a camera is switched to a daytime or nighttime mode on the basis of the detected illumination so that an optimum image is photographed, even under conditions where the illumination of a certain position and the total illumination condition of what is photographed changes irregularly.